

# Hawaiian Gazette.

U. S. WEATHER BUREAU, August 6.—Last 24 Hours' Rainfall, trace.  
Temperature, Max. 82; Min. 74. Weather, cloudy; valley showers.

SUGAR.—96 Degree Test Centrifugals, 4.125c. Per Ton, \$82.50.  
SS Analysis Beets, 10s. 2 3/4d. Per Ton, \$83.00.

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## POSSIBILITIES FOR INDUSTRIES IN THE ISLANDS

**A. B. Leckenby Sees Great Opportunities  
Lying Dormant Throughout  
Windward Oahu.**

"A farmer coming from the mainland to Hawaii would have to relearn his profession, but there are abundant opportunities here for fruit-growers and intensive cultivators, men who understand plant breeding, who can produce plants suited to the conditions, growing things much as is done in greenhouses. The possibilities for intensive horticulture are very encouraging to those who have a special fitness for the work. The list of things to grow that are mines of wealth more sure than any in Klondike is too long to mention here. To be sure, there are stumbling blocks, but these may be all used as stepping stones to achievement.

"This is a land that is fertile from ocean to mountain crest, that may be easily made to furnish flowers, fruits and vegetables out of season, that can respond so liberally to the world's demand for sweetness and from its cornucopia pour shiploads of pineapples, bananas and other fruits. It has a climate matched only by little packages in glass houses on the mainland. Here is a land where winter never comes and summer is never oppressive, in which to live is a privilege and where to exist is ecstasy.

"Those cavernous cliffs and steep hillsides will some day be a blaze of orchid blossoms, and some time on mountain tops will be ferneries, whose annual crop of fronds will yield larger monetary returns than do our richest sugar lands."

A. B. LECKENBY, before Promotion Committee yesterday.

A. B. Leckenby, scientific farmer, who has just returned from an extended trip about the island, addressed the members of the Promotion Committee yesterday on the results of his observations and the possibilities for diversified agriculture noted by him on his trip. The report made was one of interest and value, the trained eyes of the expert having noted much in the way of possibilities that have passed without exciting interest or comment with the old timer.

The immense possibilities for working up a valuable industry through the cultivation of the hau tree for its fiber and the manufacture of rope, twine and thread from this were dwelt on at length, the expert deeming this to be of the very highest importance. He exhibited a section of rope made from twisted hau fiber, a rope which had been put to the hardest kind of usage for the past year, yet which showed no sign of fraying, rotting or wearing out. A manila rope used in the same way would be hard or rotted by now.

"Fiber men have been scouring the world for a material of this kind and have never been able to find it," explained Mr. Leckenby. "Here is a fiber, easily grown and prepared, tough and strong as any and which will not rot. It is exceedingly valuable and there is a possibility for a valuable industry in it for these islands. For certain uses it will have a high value.

It can be woven for sails and spun into thread for sewing sails. Think of a sailcloth that would not rot! For use for horticultural purposes, for tying up plants, it is invaluable. Horticulturalists have nothing that can be depended on now to last over a year and in want of just such a twine many are using wire.

"For such uses as the webs for the rubber belting used in driving mining machinery, in place of the uncertain cotton now used, the hau fiber-cloth would be of great value; for the fiber centers of the plow cables, now used so much, there is nothing that would be welcomed by the manufacturers, for the life of the cable is only the life of the fiber used."

### BATS FOR BEETLES.

This was only one of the score of important things talked about in an informal way yesterday before the Promotionists. Mr. Leckenby is a man who cannot talk for more than a minute or two without saying something of value and saying it in a way that drives it home.

One suggestion made yesterday, when discussing the point that the large corporate interests fought the insect pests intelligently and the smaller interests did not fight them at all, was for the extermination of the Japanese beetle. To accomplish this, thinks the

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## POPULATION IS GOING AHEAD

**Steady Increase in Number of  
Whites With Certainty  
of Many More.**

With the growth of the Japanese population of Honolulu and the gradual advances of the Japanese camps throughout all parts of the city, it has been generally regarded by many that the white population must necessarily have decreased, crowded out. This is not the opinion of those best in a position to know, however, their claim being that there has been a gain in the number of whites in the city during the past five years, a gain every year, while it is certain that the opening of work at Pearl Harbor and the manning of the great naval station there will increase the white population of the city at a very substantial rate.

"The growth in the white population of the city during the past few years has been such that at the present time there are practically no houses in good localities that can be had for rent," says William T. Lucas, manager of the firm of Henry May & Co., in discussing the question. "Six years ago there were scores and scores of empty houses all over town, good houses in good lo-

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## WHAT VOTERS MUST SWEAR TO

**New Form of Affidavit For  
the Applicants For  
Registration.**

A new form of affidavit on application for registration has just been framed and approved by the Governor and will be used in the registration of voters for the coming election. It differs quite materially from the one that has been in use, in two particulars. In the first place it is drawn so as to make it comply strictly with the franchise right as defined by the Organic Act. The applicant has to state that he is not in the Territory by reason of being in the Army or Navy of the United States or by reason of being attached to troops in the service of the United States. The applicant is also required to state that he has not been convicted—in due course of law—of any criminal offense punishable by imprisonment for a term exceeding one year without having been pardoned therefor and restored to civil rights. The second particular in which this form differs from that in use in the past is that the oath is more explicit. In the new form the applicant has to swear conditionally to the truth of the statements made, while in the

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## THE ELECTION PROCLAMATION NEARLY READY

Governor Frear is preparing his election proclamation, and it will be issued as soon as the petitions concerning changes of election precincts and poll places are acted on. The Governor is now considering these, and will be glad to hear from any voters or organization who may have any suggestions to make. There are no requests for changes from Kaula or Hawaii, but there are a number from Oahu and Maui, and some of these are quite important, and all are interesting.

Probably the most important request is one made by voters of the first and second precincts of the Fourth Representative district. These voters ask for a very vital change in the precinct boundaries of these two precincts.

They ask that the boundaries of the first precinct be so changed that it shall include all that portion of the Island of Oahu easterly of a line beginning at the beach just east of E. S. Cunha's residence, and drawn through Kapiolani Park to Kapiolani road and along the Kapiolani road to its junction with the Waiolae road, and thence mauka along the ridge to the ridge of the Koolau mountains and thence along the crest of the mountains to Makapuu Point. It is suggested that the polling place for this precinct be changed from near King and Punahou street to the corner of Waiolae and Kapiolani roads. The second precinct it is proposed shall include all the ter-

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## THE OAHU BOND QUESTION AGAIN

**Powers and Duties of Trustee  
For Bondholders in  
Doubt.**

The question of the right of the Bishop Trust Company as trustee for the bondholders of Oahu Sugar Company to invest the sinking fund in the bonds which are secured by the deed creating the Bishop Trust Company trustee, was yesterday presented to the courts in another form in order to preserve any question of jurisdiction. A submission of the questions involved to the arbitration of the Supreme Court was made by the parties a few days ago. But some question having arisen as to the jurisdiction of the Circuit Court, a bill in equity was filed by the Bishop Trust Company yesterday setting out the questions at issue between it and the Oahu Sugar Company and making the latter party respondent. The Oahu Sugar Company at once filed an answer admitting the allegations of fact, and joining in the

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## ANOTHER RICHMOND IN THE POLITICAL FIELD

The Advertiser has received the following communication at the hands of Mr. Chas. Roe:

**ARE AFTER WILLIAM C. ROE  
FOR "SHERIFF"**

WILL ACCEPT FOR 250.  
The latest Candidate for "SHERIFF" is WILLIAM C. ROE of the Honolulu Iron Works; his name is being considerably discussed by the Politicians who intend to support him. The forerunners of different political factions have been feeling the strength of their parties, and found that Roe was being spoken of as the right man for Sheriff. At any rate in case Roe consents to run, for "SHERIFF" of the County of Oahu, for 250, it would make the race very interesting. So far as the Labor Party is concerned it is said that it would endorse him.

Mr. Charles Roe was asked what the "250" meant and he answered "250 a month." As the salary of Sheriff is but \$175, the compensation attached to that office will, of course, have to be raised before the county can hope to avail itself of Mr. Wm. C. Roe's eminent services.

## SOME INSIDE SCHEMES THAT GOOD MEN COULD THWART

voters among the Republicans, for a want of a better term as "better element," are showing no desire of getting into the politics of the precinct primaries than they have. This is the opinion of a prominent politician, not a job-chaser, who regrets the very evident indifference of the business men, professional men and property-holders in the affairs of the county.

"I have been wondering whether, after all, it would not be best to let the election go as it seems to be going now, let the offices be filled with irresponsible persons, and let the property owners and those doing business here have a good sharp lesson? The indifference is sickening to one who would like to see the new municipal government started off on business lines. I would bet that you could go into six of the biggest business houses of the city and find right now that the heads of these firms cannot even tell you the names of the seven members of the Board of Supervisors.

"What is needed to waken the business community up to the importance of shouldering their share of the political work of the county would be the passage of an act to give the counties the taxing power. Then the ones who hold and control property would inter-

est themselves and we would have a government controlled by men who could at least earn a living for themselves out of office.

"The counties should have that power, at any rate. In this Territory we are continually working backward. In other places the estimates are made and the tax rate struck on that by the counties, a proportion going to the central government, while here we have a fixed rate and pass estimates on that, without knowing what the income will be."

### "PRACTICAL" POLITICS.

Talk of this kind will not go far politically in Oahu, however. The ones who are most active politically cannot be bothered with questions so abstract as a tax rate. What is of paramount importance is not so much where the money comes from as where it goes. The income and inheritance tax questions pale before the question of the payment of road workers, and the great land question, boosted as it is by some, after all cuts less ice with the ones at the helm than the burning question of the lunaship of the Moiliili quarry.

So far, with the exception of the claims of the two candidates for the Mayorality regarding their qualifications, not one of the avowed candidates

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## DEMOCRATS IN IDAHO SPLIT IN CONVENTION

(Associated Press Cablegrams.)

**WALLACE, Idaho, August 7.**—The Democratic convention has split over the Mormon question and two tickets have been placed in nomination.

**CONSTANTINE, Algeria, August 4.**—A severe earthquake occurred here at 9:20 this morning, doing great damage and causing the loss of many lives.

**SAN QUENTIN, California, August 4.**—Ross, who escaped a few days ago, has been captured. He was an exile from Saghallen, and was in prison for burglary.

**DUBUQUE, Iowa, August 4.**—United States Senator William B. Allison died here today of heart failure. The Senator had been in poor health for some months.

**NEW YORK, August 4.**—Bronson Howard, the dramatic author, is dead.

**VANCOUVER, British Columbia, August 5.**—The forest fires are dying down. The losses are fifty dead and six millions of dollars in property.

**OPPENHEIM, Germany, August 4.**—Count von Zeppelin landed from his airship on an island of the Rhine after a flight of twelve hours over several cities and covering a hundred miles. He had perfect control of his airship, and after a slight repair of the motor will proceed on his trip.

**FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, August 5.**—At a late hour last night Zeppelin was still flying, with the prospects good for completing the twenty-four hours' test.

**DUBUQUE, Iowa, August 5.**—Governor Cummins is a candidate for the vacancy in the United States Senate caused by the death of Senator Allison.

**WINNIPEG, Manitoba, August 5.**—A strike has been ordered for today.

**SUVA, August 5.**—The United States fleet is now 1017 miles from Auckland.

**MELBOURNE, Australia, August 5.**—Burns won the fight.

**FAYAL, August 5.**—The bubonic plague is spreading here.

**CHICAGO, August 5.**—This is the twentieth day of intense heat in this city and the fifteenth day of drouth. There were four deaths last night on account of the heat.

**SAN FRANCISCO, August 5.**—William Jennings Bryan, the Democratic nominee for the Presidency, will visit the coast during the campaign.

**DUBUQUE, Iowa, August 5.**—The funeral of the late Senator Allison will be held on Saturday.

**NEW YORK, August 5.**—Wellman will start for the North Pole in a balloon in 1909.

**STUTTGART, Germany, August 5.**—Zeppelin, the famous aeronaut, has stopped here for repairs. In a storm his airship broke her moorings and took fire from an explosion occasioned by a defect in the machinery, brought about by the violence of the motion of the airship in the storm. Her machinery fell to the earth, but the airship itself disappeared. The aeronauts are safe.

**FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, August 6.**—The explosion was caused by the upsetting and ignition of a can of benzine during the storm. Zeppelin is broken-hearted.

**WASHINGTON, August 6.**—The report of the stabbing of the Sultan is unconfirmed.

An afternoon despatch said the Sultan of Turkey had been saved from assassination in the palace by his coat of mail.

**WINNIPEG, Manitoba, August 6.**—Twelve thousand men are out on a strike. It is reported that the railroad is bringing strike-breakers from Europe.

**LOS ANGELES, August 6.**—Alton B. Parker opened the Democratic campaign here last night, devoting himself principally to the tariff.

**TSANTSYN, August 6.**—Forty deaths from cholera have occurred here.

**TIENTSIN, August 6.**—The Russian Consul here has been fatally stabbed.

**SUVA, August 6.**—At eight o'clock last evening the American fleet was 810 miles from Auckland. The sea was rough.

**CONSTANTINOPLE, August 6.**—Kamil Pasha has formed a cabinet for carrying out the constitutional form of government proclaimed by the Sultan.

**TOKIO, August 6.**—The trade-mark copyright convention for the protection of manufacturers has been ratified by the Japanese government.

**ST. PETERSBURG, August 6.**—The Korean insurgents are making daily attacks on the Japanese forces on the border.

**COPENHAGEN, August 6.**—Word was received here today that Erichsen, the explorer, has perished in Greenland.

**WINNIPEG, Manitoba, August 6.**—The strikers are being replaced by Japanese workmen. Over twelve thousand Canadian workmen are involved in the strike.

**WINNIPEG, Manitoba, August 7.**—The electricians of the city have gone out on strike in sympathy with the striking trainmen of the Canadian Pacific railway.

**NOME, Alaska, August 7.**—The drought here has been broken in the north, and rains have fallen that will mean millions to the mineowners, who depend on normal water supplies in the creeks for the sluicing operations.

**FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, August 7.**—Count Zeppelin, the aeronaut whose airship, after a successful series of flights, was destroyed through a gasoline explosion, has announced that he will rebuild it.

**SEATTLE, August 7.**—The shipowners here have secured an injunction in the Federal courts against the striking longshoremen to prohibit their establishing a picket against strikebreakers.

**LINCOLN, Nebraska, August 7.**—The Democratic leaders are planning the forming of a National Democratic Club to secure a poll of the country in advance of the Presidential election.

**BOSTON, August 7.**—H. P. Brown, of Texas, has been chosen as Supreme Chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

## GRAND JURY MEETS TODAY TO TAKE UP IAUKEA MATTER

The Territorial grand jury meets at 10 o'clock this morning in the old Throne room of the Capitol for the express purpose of investigating the Iaukea-Isol incident.

The session today is at the instance of the grand jury itself which was in session on Wednesday engaged with some minor cases. At that session, however, it was decided by the body to take up the inquiry into the Iaukea-Isol matter and adjournment until this morning was taken for that purpose.

Subpoenas have been issued and served on Iaukea, Isol, Townsend and Mrs. Isol, and they are expected to appear before the grand jury to answer all questions that may be asked of them in regard to this matter. As there have been interviews with Isol

and others in the newspapers some of those to whom the interviews were given may be subpoenaed, though it is not known now that any of them has been yet.

Deputy Attorney General Larnach has investigated the matter for the Attorney General, but what conclusions have been reached, if any, are not yet known. However, it is known that the determination of the grand jury to take the matter up was reached without any reference to the investigation undertaken by the Attorney General.

Because of the importance of the matter it is expected that every member of the grand jury will be present this morning when the matter is taken up.

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